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In the Matter of the Application of: Cosma et al.
Serial No.: 09/616,655
Filed: July 14, 2000
For: **Cathode Ray Tube Having A Multifunction Frame/Mask Support**
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Amendment

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 2, 2003 and having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 2, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Replace the paragraph on page 4, lines 6-16 with the following:

In the embodiment example illustrated by Figures 2, 3, and 4, the frame 19, of 16/9 format, comprises a pair of short sides 7 and a pair of long sides 9. The long and short sides have, for example, L-shaped cross-sections and flat parts 37, 39, respectively, substantially